

1           1.     A frequency selective surface (FSS) comprising a periodically  
2 replicated unit cell,  
3           the unit cell including a chemoresistive material having an electrical  
4 conductivity that changes in a presence of an analyte.

1           2.     The FSS of claim 1, wherein the unit cell further comprises an  
2 arrangement of conducting patches on a dielectric substrate.

1           3.     The FSS of claim 2, wherein at least two conducting patches are  
2 interconnected by the chemoresistive material.

1           4.     The FSS of claim 1, wherein the unit cell comprises a pattern of  
2 chemoresistive material on a dielectric substrate.

1           5.     The FSS of claim 1 wherein the unit cell includes at least one  
2 dielectric slot in a conducting medium, the chemoresistive material being adjacent to  
3 the dielectric slot.

1           6.     The FSS of claim 1, wherein the chemoresistive material comprises a  
2 conducting polymer.

1           7.     The FSS of claim 1, wherein the electrical conductivity of the  
2 conducting polymer decreases when the conducting polymer is exposed to the analyte.

1           8.     The FSS of claim 1, wherein the chemoresistive material includes a  
2 semiconductor nanostructure.

1           9.     The FSS of claim 1, wherein the chemoresistive material includes a  
2 metal nanostructure.

1           10.    The FSS of claim 1, wherein the chemoresistive material includes a  
2 composite of a polymer and electrically conducting particles.

1           11.    The FSS of claim 10, wherein the conducting particles are carbon-  
2   containing particles.

1           12.    The FSS of claim 10, wherein the polymer swells on exposure to the  
2   analyte.

1           13.    An artificial magnetic conductor comprising the FSS of claim 1, the  
2   FSS being supported by a surface of a thin dielectric substrate, the opposed surface of  
3   the dielectric layer supporting an electrical conductor.

1           14.    An electromagnetic absorber including the FSS of claim 1.

1           15.    An antenna including the FSS of claim 1.

1           16.    An electromagnetic reflector including the FSS of claim 1.

1           17.    A process for detecting an analyte, the process comprising:  
2       providing an apparatus including a chemoresistive material, the  
3   chemoresistive material having an electrical conductivity that changes on exposure to  
4   the analyte;  
5       determining an electromagnetic property of the apparatus, the electromagnetic  
6   property being correlated with the electrical conductivity of the chemoresistive  
7   material; and  
8       detecting the analyte using the electromagnetic property.

1           18.    The process of claim 17, wherein the electromagnetic property is a  
2   electromagnetic transmission, electromagnetic absorption, or electromagnetic  
3   reflection.

1           19.    The process of claim 17, wherein the apparatus has a resonance  
2   frequency, and the electromagnetic property is determined at the resonance frequency.

1           20.    The process of claim 17, wherein determining the electromagnetic  
2   property includes irradiating the apparatus with electromagnetic radiation from a  
3   remote source of electromagnetic radiation.

1           21.    The process of claim 17, wherein the remote source of electromagnetic  
2   radiation includes a radar transmitter.

1           22.    The process of claim 17, wherein the apparatus includes a frequency  
2   selective surface (FSS) comprising a periodically replicated unit cell, each unit cell  
3   including the chemoresistive material.

1           23.    The process of claim 22, wherein the FSS has a resonance frequency,  
2   the electromagnetic property being detected at the resonance frequency.

1           24.    The process of claim 17, wherein the apparatus is deployed into the  
2   atmosphere, and determining the electromagnetic property of the apparatus includes  
3   irradiating the apparatus with a radar beam and detecting reflected radar radiation.

1           25.    A frequency selective surface (FSS), the FSS comprising a periodically  
2   replicated unit cell, the unit cell including a chemoresistive material having an  
3   electrical conductivity that changes in a presence of an analyte.

1           26.    The FSS of claim 25, wherein the unit cell has a geometry chosen so as  
2   to provide an electromagnetic resonance at a resonance frequency.

1           27.    The FSS of claim 25, wherein the unit cell comprises an electrically  
2   conducting patch and a region of chemoresistive material adjacent to the electrically  
3   conducting patch.

1           28.    The FSS of claim 25, wherein the unit cell comprises a plurality of  
2   electrically conducting patches, and at least one region of chemoresistive material.

1           29.    The FSS of claim 25, wherein the unit cell comprises a first  
2 chemoresistive material having a first electrical conductivity correlated with a  
3 presence of a first analyte, and a second chemoresistive material having an electrical  
4 conductivity correlated with a presence of a second analyte.

1           30.    The FSS of claim 25, wherein the unit cell includes at least one dipole  
2 slot formed in a metal screen, and a region of chemoresistive material within the  
3 metal screen.

1           31.    The FSS of claim 30, wherein the region of chemoresistive material is  
2 substantially adjacent to the at least one dipole slot.

1           32.    An apparatus comprising a periodic structure,  
2 the periodic structure including a pattern of chemoresistive material,  
3 the apparatus having a first electromagnetic property in a presence of an  
4 analyte, and a second electromagnetic property in an absence of the analyte,  
5 a difference between the first electromagnetic property and the second  
6 electromagnetic property at least in part arising from an electrical conductivity change  
7 of the chemoresistive material.

1           33.    The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the periodic structure is a  
2 frequency selective surface supported on a surface of a dielectric layer.

1           34.    The apparatus of 32, wherein the periodic structure further comprises a  
2 replicated pattern of metal patches.

1           35.    The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the apparatus is an electromagnetic  
2 absorber, electromagnetic reflector, electromagnetic transmitter, or antenna.

1           36.    An apparatus including a frequency selective surface (FSS),  
2 the FSS comprising a pattern of conductive patches,

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3           the conducting patches being selectively interconnectable by a matrix of  
4   independently addressable switches.

1           37.    The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the switches are passive switches  
2   not in electrical communication with a voltage source.

1           38.    The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the switches are responsive to an  
2   external condition, the switches having a first electrical conductivity in a presence of  
3   the external condition, and a second electrical conductivity in an absence of the  
4   external condition.

1           39.    The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the external condition is a presence  
2   of an analyte, the switches having the first electrical conductivity in a presence of the  
3   analyte, and the second electrical conductivity in an absence of the analyte.

1           40.    The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the external condition is incident  
2   electromagnetic radiation.

1           41.    The apparatus of claim 36, comprising a plurality of switch types, each  
2   switch type responsive to a different external condition.

1           42.    The apparatus of claim 41, wherein each switch type is responsive to a  
2   different analyte.

1           43.    An apparatus substantially as described herein.

1           44.    A process of detecting an external condition substantially as described  
2   herein.